Licenses for DTH services

85. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given licenses to operate the Direct to Home (DTH) services to some broadcasters; and

(b) if so, the names of such broadcasters and the terms and conditions thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Shifting of Headquarters of Kashir Channel to Srinagar

86. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced to shift the administrative Headquarters of Kashir Channel to Srinagar; and

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Prasar Bharati Board at its meeting on 11th July, 2003 has decided that the Headquarters of Kashir Channel will be at Srinagar. Further action is in progress.

Settlement of CAS

87. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since examined the various problems and issues raised by the cable operators and the general TV viewers, that are likely to arise with the operation of the Conditional Access System (CAS);

(b) if so, what settlement has since been reached in the matter;

(c) whether Government propose to bring about any amendments